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Do You Believe In Memphis?

Ever since J. J. Williams vacated the Mayor's chair Memphis has been the battleground over which machine politicians have fought. The wheels of industry have been clogged, capital frightened away and the fair name of this city dragged through the mire, while the mad scramble for place and power went on. From 1910 to 1916 there was an orgy of lawlessness seldom witnessed in a civilized community. Flagrant violations of law were permitted, bond issue was piled on bond issue and the money of taxpayers squandered. Memphis is now reaping the harvest sown during those years. After suffering a temporary setback, the same old crowd of machine politicians is again reaching for the throat of this community. Wearing the cloak of "Reform," they would deceive the people and again trample them under the heel of oppression.

Is It Not About Time to Call a Halt?

If you want to help redeem Memphis from "The Harvest of Sin," go to the polls next Thursday and

Vote the Memphis Ticket Straight



Edward V. Sheeley

There is nothing of pretense or compromise in the personality of Edward V. Sheeley. He looks out upon the world about him with a vision as confident and reassuring as his hearty handshake. And by the same tokens of destiny there is nothing of subterfuge in the conduct of his social and business life. "He plays the game straight."

Outstanding characteristics of his makeup are energy, determination, integrity of mind and heart, and an affability that radiates welcome and good fellowship everywhere, and that has never taken a vacation.

Paraphrasing his activities in the vernacular of America's most popular industry, it might be said that Ed Sheeley started out as a boy on high speed and has never shifted gears. He is still hitting on all cylinders.

To an intimate associate of many years, his record of achievements looks something like this:

From high school graduate to the elevation of schoolmaster.

The var-colored globes in the old-fashioned drug store window attracted him, and with characteristic decision and grit he chose the long and arduous road of drug store apprentice.

Emerging finally, and entering college, he received in due course his diploma from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.

The rosy tint of destiny now beckoned, and he was caught by the lure of Sunny Tennessee—which he understood to mean Memphis.

Arriving, his thorough training was welcomed by a leading pharmacy of the city, and he was promptly engaged as prescriptionist. Here, for three years, he gave expert attention to his duties, and studied business methods and local conditions.

He then proceeded to marshal his resources of thrift and preparedness and foresight, and embarked as proprietor in the drug business at Vance and Lauderdale street, where for 21 years he has given a splendid illustration of what efficiency and right dealing will accomplish.

The same sterling qualities that built this excellent business have served also to win for him an uncommon measure of popularity throughout his ever-widening environments.

Thorough methods, and a broad, genial attitude have made him a desirable acquisition in many quarters.

He has served as a director of the Memphis Chamber of Commerce, also as former director of the Williams Trust and Banking Company, and is now closely associated with the Central-State National Bank, and has always been actively identified with all movements of civic organizations for the betterment of Memphis.

In the sphere of drug trade interests, he has enjoyed, from time to time, election to every office of trust and distinction within the gift of the drug trade organization of the state.

He is a present member of the State Board of Pharmacy.



William L. Terry

William L. Terry was born and reared in Memphis. He received his early education in the public schools of this city, later attending Vanderbilt University, where he studied law. Completing his law course, he returned to Memphis and became a partner in the legal firm of Bell, Terry & Bell, later Bell, Terry, Anderson & Bell. With the exception of a period of farming when in his teens, Mr. Terry has been engaged all the while in the practice of law.

In 1900 Mr. Terry was elected a member of the old Fifteenth District School Board. When the Shelby County School Board of five members was created he was continued as a member until he was appointed one of the three members of the Shelby County School Building Commission in 1912, completing the work of this commission in 1915.

Mr. Terry was a member of the National Guard of Tennessee when the call to arms came in 1916 for service on the Mexican border. He promptly responded and went out with the First Tennessee Infantry, finishing his work just in time to answer the call for service in the great world war, April 12, 1917. He went overseas and followed the Stars and Stripes over the bloody battlefields of France. He participated in the St. Mihiel drive and in the Argonne-Meuse campaign.

Mr. Terry has always stood for the highest ideals of citizenship and never proved recreant to a trust. He is by training and temperament fitted for the office to which he aspires.



John T. Corbett

Mr. Corbett was born in Memphis 41 years ago, and has spent his entire life here. He was educated at the public schools of Memphis, and after attaining his majority he procured employment in the courthouse, and his entire business life has been spent in work there. He has been successively Deputy County Trustee, City License Collector, and for more than six years was Deputy City Assessor, and it has been said that no man in the city or county is better posted on realty values, and as to how they should be assessed so as to apportion the taxes of the city in an equitable way and not throw the burden of taxation upon the small home owner.



J. J. Williams

Mr. Williams was born in Fayette County, Tennessee, 60 years ago, and when two years of age came to Memphis with his parents, residing until 1900 at the old Williams home at Pleece Station, which is now part of the city of Memphis. Mr. Williams was educated at the public schools of Shelby county, and at the completion of his course in the public schools he finished his education under the late Judge J. S. Galloway.

In 1884 Mr. Williams was elected a member of the Shelby County Board of Road Supervisors, which position paid a salary of only \$25 a month. Mr. Williams also served as a member of the Shelby County School Board for several years, which paid nothing. In 1888 Mr. Williams became Deputy County Trustee, and in 1890 he succeeded Mr. Andrew J. Harris as County Trustee, which position he held for three terms.

In 1898 Mr. Williams was elected mayor of Memphis, which office he held for two terms of four years each. Under his administration Memphis was brought from a yellow fever-infested, disease-ridden town into a city with one of the lowest death rates in the United States, the death rate being brought from 22 to the 1,000 to 9 to the 1,000. Under his administration also the magnificent park system was established, as well as the extended sewer system which the city now has. The Memphis Artesian Water Department was also purchased under his administration, he purchasing the plant and properties of the old Memphis Artesian Water Co. There was considerable territory annexed during his administration, and the water plant and sewer system were enlarged so as to provide proper sewerage and water for the people in the residence wards of the city.

In 1918 Mr. Williams was elected Criminal Court Clerk of Shelby County.

Mr. Williams has always stood for and fought for the things that went to the betterment of Memphis, and it is a well-known fact that more good was accomplished under his administration, and at less cost to the people, than any mayor Memphis ever had, either before or since he occupied the mayor's chair.



C. C. Breeden

Mr. Breeden was born in East Tennessee 35 years ago, and has always lived in this state. He has always taken an active interest in the affairs of the state and city in which he lived.

Mr. Breeden entered business for himself when he was 18 years of age, and since then has at all times been the head of his own business.

Several years ago Mr. Breeden saw the opportunity of Memphis and cast his fortunes with this city, establishing the Breeden Drug Company, which company does a large business throughout the United States. Mr. Breeden is also president of the American Gum Company, which is one of the largest distributors of candy chewing gum in the United States.

Mr. Breeden has at all times been very active in civic affairs of the city of his adoption, and during the war he more than did his bit; he managed the Chamber of Commerce campaign in the third Liberty loan, raising three million dollars in four days the last week of the campaign, doing such magnificent work that one of the local daily papers said that Memphis owed him a debt of gratitude. He was also one of the campaign generals in the fourth Liberty loan. Mr. Breeden has been active in church work, being manager of the drive in the Centenary of the First Methodist Church in May, 1919, and raised \$105,000 in two days. He is also a teacher of the E. F. Willis Bible Class of the First Methodist Church.

In 1918 Mr. Breeden was elected a director of the Chamber of Commerce, and is one of the most active members of that organization. He is also a member of the Rotary Club.



O. I. Kruger

Mr. O. I. Kruger was born in Paducah, Ky. He came to Memphis about 34 years ago, and during this time has made Memphis his home.

Mr. Kruger, with 11 other gentlemen, organized the International Leather Workers' Union at St. Louis, and at the convention held at that time was elected First Vice President of this great organization, and was continued in office five years by a referendum vote from the United States and Canada. He is a member of the local Leather Workers' Union and has served as its secretary and Treasurer since its organization.

He has been a continuous delegate to the Trades and Labor Council since 1894, and has served four times as its President and one term as its Secretary and Treasurer. He was a delegate to the first state convention of the State Federation of Labor and has since represented his local union several times.

Mr. Kruger was a member of the committee from the Trades and Labor Council which secured from the city the "EIGHT-HOUR WORKING DAY" and increased pay for all city employees, when the Hon. J. J. Williams was mayor of Memphis.

Mr. Kruger was a delegate to the convention called by Gov. Patterson at the state capital in the interest of "Child Welfare."

Mr. Kruger was a member of the City Board of Education for two terms of four years each. During this period he stood for better salaries for teachers and was successful in several efforts. He introduced the resolution by which the teachers' salaries were changed from nine to twelve months' salaries, an increase of 33 1/3 per cent in salaries.

Mr. Kruger was instrumental in having the Board of Education pay the teachers salaries during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Kruger introduced to the Board of Education a carefully worked-out plan for the adoption of free text books, and during his several terms was a consistent advocate of free text books.

While Mr. Kruger was Chairman of the Building and Grounds Committee of the Board of Education the following buildings were constructed: Riverside, Hill, Lauderdale, Cummings, Peabody, Idlewild, Central High, Madison Heights, Snowden, Gordon, Grant, La-Rose, Greenwood and additions to Carnes, Klondike, Riverside and Merrill.

Mr. Kruger was a member of the School Board Special Committee which had in charge the organization and equipping of the Vocational High School.

Mr. Kruger has been a member of the firm of Wetenkamp & Kruger since 1896, in the saddlery, harness and buggy trade.

Mr. Kruger served the United States as Chairman of the Local Exemption Board No. 4 during the period of the war, practically giving his entire time to this patriotic service to the neglect of his private business.

Vote for

J. J. Williams for Mayor
For Commissioners, Vote for

C. C. Breeden, O. I. Kruger, Edward V. Sheeley, W. L. Terry
For Tax Assessor Vote for JOHN T. CORBETT